Introduced by Senator Johnson

(Coauthor: Assembly Member Hancock)

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An act to add and repeal Section 17463.5 of the Education Code, relating to school finance, to take effect immediately, as an urgency statute.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1129, as amended, Johnson. Education finance.

Existing law, the Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998 (the Greene Act of 1998), requires the State Allocation Board to allocate to applicant school districts, prescribed per-unhoused-pupil state funding for construction and modernization of school facilities, including hardship funding, and supplemental funding for site development and acquisition. Existing law requires a school district to use the funds derived from the sale of surplus property for capital outlay or for costs of maintenance of school district property that the governing board of the school district determines will not recur within a 5-year period. Existing law authorizes a school district having an average daily attendance of less than 10,001 in any fiscal year to deposit any and all interest earned on those funds into the general fund of the district if the district meets certain conditions.

This bill would, notwithstanding any other provision of law, and until January 1, 2007, authorize a school district to sell, lease, or leaseback certain surplus real and personal property, as provided, to deposit the proceeds into the general fund of the school district or county office of education, and to use the proceeds from that transaction for any

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one-time general fund purpose, however,. The bill would provide that if the purchase original acquisition or construction of the property was made accomplished using the proceeds of a general obligation bond act or revenue derived from developer fees, the amount that may be deposited into the general fund of the school district or county office of education may not exceed the difference between the purchase price of the property and the proceeds of the transaction divided by the amount of the proceeds of the transaction percentage of the proceeds of the transaction determined by the amount, if any, obtained by subtracting the original acquisition or construction price of the property from the proceeds of the transaction, and dividing that amount by the proceeds of the transaction, as defined.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: ²/₃. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares all of the 2 following:
 - (a) California faces an unprecedented fiscal crisis, and in a time of fiscal crisis, it is necessary for the state and local agencies to examine the priorities that are essential to the core of each agency's function.
- (b) Public schools maintaining kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, must be given the operational and fiscal flexibility to 9 manage their budgets within the context of the current budget crisis. 10
- SEC. 2. Section 17463.5 is added to the Education Code, to 11 12 read:
 - 17463.5. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, a school district may sell, lease, or leaseback, surplus real property, together with any personal property improvements located thereon, owned by the district for at least 20 years, to any nonprofit, for profit, or governmental entity; may deposit the proceeds thereof into the general fund of the school district or county office of education; and may use the proceeds from the sale, lease, or leaseback for any one-time general fund purpose. If the purchase original acquisition or construction of the property was made

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accomplished using the proceeds of a general obligation bond act or revenue derived from developer fees, the amount of the proceeds of the transaction that may be deposited into the general fund of the school district or county office of education may not exceed the percentage computed by the difference between the purchase price of the property and the proceeds from the transaction, divided by the amount of the proceeds of the transaction school district may not exceed the percentage of the proceeds of the transaction determined by the amount, if any, obtained by subtracting the original acquisition or construction price of the property from the net proceeds of the transaction, and dividing that result by the net proceeds of the transaction. For the purposes of this section, proceeds of the transaction means either of the following, as appropriate:

- (1) The amount realized from the sale of property after reasonable expenses related to the sale.
- (2) For any transaction, such as a lease of property, that does not result in a lump-sum payment of the proceeds of the transaction, the proceeds of the transaction shall be calculated as the net present value of the future cashflow generated by the transaction.
- (b) A school district that purchased real property, together with any personal property located thereon, entirely with local funds may use the authority granted under subdivision (a) regardless of the length of time the district has owned the property.
- (c) This section is repealed on January 1, 2007, unless a later enacted statute that becomes operative on or before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends the date on which it is repealed.
- SEC. 3. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:
- School districts' need for fiscal flexibility and the current fiscal crisis facing this state require that this act take effect immediately.